

IPW



**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Inventor:	Application of Gary L. Johnson et al.	)	Serial No.:	10/759,568
		)		
For:	Drop Frame Refuse Collection Vehicle	)	Conf. No.:	8122
		)		
Filed:	January 20, 2004	)	Art Unit:	3652

**STATUS INQUIRY**

July 7, 2006

Commissioner For Patents  
U.S. Patent and Trademark Office  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Sir:

This is to inquire about the status of the application identified above. The application was filed on January 20, 2004. Subsequently, on or about March 17, 2004, Applicants filed a Request to place a Disclosure Document in the application file. On April 1, 2004, Applicants rescinded a Nonpublication Request that was filed with the application. An acknowledgement of the Recission of the Nonpublication Request and a filing receipt were mailed by the Patent and Trademark Office on or about April 22, 2004. Subsequently, on December 20, 2004, Applicant filed a Preliminary Amendment which replaced the drawings filed with the original application with new drawings. Applicant has had no communication with the Patent and Trademark Office with respect to this application since such time. Applicant therefore formally tenders this inquiry as to the status of the application.

A self-addressed post card receipt with postage prepaid is enclosed. Please date the receipt with the date of receipt of this correspondence and return it to me.

Respectfully submitted,

David J. Hill  
Attorney for Applicants  
(Registration No. 28427)  
Chambliss, Bahner & Stophel, P.C.  
1000 Tallan Building  
Two Union Square  
Chattanooga, Tennessee 37402  
(423) 756-3000

**CERTIFICATE OF MAILING**

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail with postage prepaid in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner For Patents, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450 on July 7, 2006.

  
Ann Shelby  
Date of Signature: July 7, 2006